

**Appln No. 10/712,601**  
**Amdt date April 24, 2006**  
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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

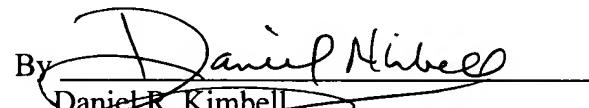
Claims 1-12, 14-16 and 25 are pending herein. Claim 13 was previously canceled and claims 17-24 and 26-29 are canceled herein.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-12, 14-16 and 25.

The Examiner finally rejects claims 17-24 and 26-29. By finally canceling these claims, all grounds of rejection are moot, and Applicant requests prompt allowance of this application.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
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